

OLD GUARD ASKS T.R. TO WITHDRAW

Offers in Return to Force Justice Hughes Out of the Running.

WILL THEN AGREE ON ANOTHER MAN

Progressives Divided on Acceptance of Any Candidate Except Roosevelt.

[By Telegram to The Tribune.]
Chicago, June 4.—The "old guard" made overtures to-day to Colonel Roosevelt, Arthur Sears Henning says in "The Chicago Tribune," to enter into a treaty of amity and concord based on the following terms:
The withdrawal of Colonel Roosevelt as a candidate for the nomination for President in the Republican and Progressive conventions.
The elimination of Justice Hughes in the Republican convention by defeat or enforced withdrawal.
The agreement of Roosevelt and the "old guard" on the nomination of one of the minor Republican candidates, with the understanding that this agreement shall carry with it the endorsement of the nominee by the Progressive convention.
This is a part of the plan of campaign of the "old guard" to name a candidate other than Colonel Roosevelt. The Colonel has been informed by the "old guard" that if he does not enter into this agreement the bars will be let down and the nomination of Hughes permitted early in the balloting next Friday.
"Old Guard" Ultimatum.
This is virtually the ultimatum of the "old guard" calling on Roosevelt to come into camp on the "old guard" terms. The Colonel has taken the proposition under advisement pending the further revelation of his own chances to win the nomination despite the machinations of the "old guard."
The "old guard" ultimatum was met by another, emanating from the camp of the uncompromising Rooseveltians. When the intelligence of the demands made on the Colonel flashed down candidates' row the Progressive leaders served notice that a third ticket would be placed in the field unless the nominee of the Republican convention be Colonel Roosevelt or a Republican whose attitude was satisfactory on public issues, particularly the questions of preparedness against war and of Americanism.
The Progressive leaders asserted flatly that they would not accept Justice Hughes unless he made a satisfactory statement on these issues. As Mr. Hughes is opposed to making any such bid for the nomination, an uncompromising attitude by the Progressives probably would cause the justice to withdraw his name from consideration by the Republicans.
It is apparent, however, that the Progressives are far from united on the policy outlined by their leaders, and that a large and influential element of the convention will be disposed to accept assurances concerning the jurist's attitude on current issues.
The nomination of the justice by the Republicans on a platform satisfactory to the Progressives and the acceptance of the platform by Mr. Hughes would go far toward winning the endorsement of the candidate by the third party.
Despite the counter ultimatum put

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forth by the Progressives, the Hughes boom continued to gain strength during the day. Scores of arriving delegates from various parts of the country declared the justice their choice after the complimentary balloting. Claims of Hughes partisans that fully 600 delegates are ready to vote for the justice gained additional respect.
Governor Whitman of New York arrived with other members of the delegation from that state, and after spending the afternoon preparing a long campaign boost for Hughes, he was seen by the justice and contented himself with issuing the following statement:
Justice Hughes will have a majority of the delegates from New York State and there is no doubt that he will be nominated by the convention.
When the Governor was informed of the ultimatum in regard to Hughes issued by the Progressives he refused to make any comment. It was learned later that in discussing the attitude of the Progressive leaders with his associates in Western and Southern states, whom he stands ready to deliver to Hughes.
The Hughes managers also received cheering word from New England. Governor Beekman of Rhode Island telegraphed: "There were 51,000 marchers in the preparedness parade here yesterday, and the Rhode Island delegation is solid for Hughes."
"Old Guard" in Doubt.
The Hughes boom had become so formidable by afternoon that some of the "old guardmen" and the favorite sons began to be obsessed with doubts that his nomination could be prevented under any circumstances. There was a conference between the managers of Weeks, Burton and other favorites and sons and Crane and Penrose of the "old guard" in which the estimates of the jurist's strength were carefully canvassed.
One of the participants admitted afterward that the delegate showing for Hughes was formidable. The "old guard" believes that if the elimination of Hughes be determined on, the desired result can be accomplished by precipitating a scramble from which the justice will feel impelled to withdraw. The "old guard" plan of campaign, however, is to nominate Hughes without consulting the Progressives, unless Colonel Roosevelt will agree to support one of the minor candidates or a dark horse.
The first aim of the "old guard" is to convince Roosevelt that he stands no chance of being nominated by the Republican convention. Penrose, the field marshal of the "old guard," is handling this line of procedure for his standpat brethren. Despite the unpleasantness of the last four years, he is on better terms with the Colonel than any other member of the "old

HUGHES SURELY, SAYS WHITMAN

"No Doubt That the Justice Will Be Nominated," Governor Asserts.

DECLARES BURTON HIS SECOND CHOICE

Barnes Will Make Fight to Retain Seat, So as to Name Successor.

[From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.]
Chicago, June 4.—Governor Charles S. Whitman arrived with the New York delegation at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, and immediately went into conference with Frank H. Hitchcock, Colonel William Hayward and Chairman Frederick C. Tanner, who met him at the station. Four hours later he issued this typewritten statement:
"Justice Hughes will have a majority of the delegates from New York State, and there is no doubt that he will be nominated by the convention."
Previous to the conference Governor Whitman was more communicative. On the train he told the reporters that he was certain to place Justice Hughes in nomination.
Says Hughes Leads.
"It does not matter," said he, "whether Alabama yields to New York or not, I will place Justice Hughes in nomination. Most of the New York delegates and the bulk of the Republican of New York are for him. I have been getting pretty much all over the state and I know what I am talking about. For example, in Buffalo, where I was yesterday, everybody is for him."
"I do not find any Roosevelt sentiment among Republicans. I think a great many Democrats are for him, and I know that there is a lot of noise, but that is all. It will be Hughes not later than the sixth ballot."
What number of the New York delegation is for Hughes Governor Whitman did not attempt to estimate, but he was certain it was something more than a majority. Hughes failing, he thought ex-Senator Burton, of Ohio, would be an excellent candidate.
Fight On in Earnest.
The bitter factional fight over Root and Hughes delegates to the convention, the chairmanship of the delegation and the state's place on the National Committee began in earnest to-day with the arrival of the special train.
From headquarters in the Blackstone Hotel Governor Whitman directed the charge for Hughes delegates and urged the candidates, Herbert Parsons for national committeeman to succeed William Barnes, as well as his own candidacy for the leadership of the state delegation to the convention. He was flanked by Frank H. Hitchcock, former Postmaster General, and Frederick A. Tanner, chairman of the New York Republican State Committee; Colonel William Hayward, of New York, and William M. Ward, Westchester County.
On the same floor with the Governor Elton R. Brown, Republican leader of the Senate and the Root lieutenant of the delegation, held forth. He saw few persons, though the real conferences of the Root adherents were held in the rooms of William Barnes, a short distance down Michigan Avenue, in the Congress Hotel. Mr. Barnes had a busy day of conference. He was kept busy rushing between his two rooms, conferring with delegates and others. He had nothing to say for publication.
The Governor smiled when Justice Hughes would be acceptable to them only if he made his position on certain national issues clear was repeated to him.
"I hope the Progressives will support Justice Hughes," he remarked.
Supporters of Justice Hughes made no attempt to conceal their pleasure over the Governor and Mr. Hitchcock getting together on apparently the most amicable terms upon the Governor's arrival. Rumors of jealousy between them over who should be the real leader of the Hughes movement in the convention have been current within the last few days.
Governor Whitman boarded the train in Buffalo early in the morning, with ex-Senator William H. Tully, of Steubenville, a member of the famous Armstrong committee, for whom Justice Hughes conducted the insurance investigation, and William B. Wilcox, whom Hughes made Public Service Commissioner. Tully breakfasted with him and stuck pretty close until Chicago was reached. In the station Frank Hitchcock and Messrs. Tanner and Hayward were awaiting him, and the three, with Mrs. Hitchcock and Private Secretary Orr, drove to the Blackstone.
William L. Ward, the Westchester boss, whose position, as usual, has been somewhat uncertain, called on Governor Whitman. Later Herbert Parsons, who is slated to be national committeeman, in place of Barnes, arrived. County Chairman Samuel S. Koenig also called.
Straus Sees Whitman.
The revised figures of the New Yorkers placed the New York delegation

Giants and Poker Win in Pre-Convention Poll

G. O. P. Delegates "Shy" at Politics and Play Twenty-five Cent Limit, Seeking to Dodge History's Icy Stare.

By HEYWOOD BROWN.
[By Telegram to The Tribune.]
Chicago, June 4.—The delegates who sat under the guns said that he believed in genuine preparedness. Democratic half-way measures and shams, he asserted, were worse than useless. Saying which, he stood put on treys and deuces.
There were four men in the game who will have something to say as to which candidate shall be selected as the choice of the Republican party for President. We can only hope that it will not narrow down to such an extent that the decision will rest with the up-state little fellow who always draws to interior straits.
Moreover, we trust that the plank demanding a non-partisan commission to revise the tariff on scientific lines will not be drawn by the fellow who said that he could see no good reason why he shouldn't try for three bushes. Judged casually from a twenty-four-hour travel acquaintance, the members of the New York delegation to the Republican convention are God-fearing men who keep the game down to a twenty-five-cent limit with fifty cents on a whangoodle.
Giants Run a Close Second.
Seemingly there is no direct relationship between politics and poker. Of all the politicians whom we observed on the train to-day there was not one who could make even a reasonable living if set to the task of swinging blue chips instead of votes.
Of course it must not be inferred that all the men who were on their way to take part in one of the most momentous gatherings in American history spent their time in exclaiming "all green" or "all pink" as the whimsy struck them. That would be unfair. There was much discussion of the chances of the Giants. Some favor the Brooklyn Robins, but they fear that Uncle Wilbur cannot carry the West.
A few of the more familiar stories of the it-seems-there-was-an-Irishman type were counted. There was casual comment on the trend of the market, constructive criticism of the climate, and possibly a word or two about the big sea fight over there. Nobody said much about politics. We remember, however, one man who tried to drum up sentiment for Hughes by dogmatically maintaining that he had seen the justice buy and drink a Scotch highball not more than a year ago.
It is hard to understand that the delegates do not take their duties seriously. Man always feels self-conscious and tries to laugh off gravity.
The conferences are being held, since it is not yet clear that the Roosevelt victory is a foregone conclusion. Just after 5 o'clock Oscar Straus, who is one of the most radical Roosevelt men in Chicago, saw Mr. Whitman for a few minutes, the two returning to the lobby together. There Mr. Whitman joined Hitchcock, Tanner and Parsons, and the four of them, Orr said was a pleasure jaunt through the park.
Some of the delegates on the train who talked with Governor Whitman declared that he is to be of the greatest importance to his personal political fortunes that Hughes be believed, is the only Republican that is sure to carry New York by a wide margin. He said that he will be re-elected Governor, no matter who is at the head of the ticket, but as a matter of safety first, he would like to see the man he regards as the strongest vote-getter named.
Barnes Will Make Fight.
William Barnes will not surrender the national committee membership he holds without a fight. This much was decided to-day, when Barnes let it be known that he will seek to have the election of his successor postponed from to-morrow night, which is the Whitman programme, until adjournment of the convention. He said he knew that he will seek to have the election of his successor postponed from to-morrow night, which is the Whitman programme, until adjournment of the convention. He said he knew that he will seek to have the election of his successor postponed from to-morrow night, which is the Whitman programme, until adjournment of the convention.
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covers. One not so covered is Senator Penrose. He is opposed to it, apparently sincerely and vigorously. He has stated to friends here that he wants a strong leader in the White House during the next four years, since he, Penrose, will be Senate leader and hopes to make a reputation for statesmanship, which would be impossible with any man, however able, who had not the habit of initiating politics and making it a game.
He believes, excludes Mr. Root. It will take severe pressure to bring Penrose into line, and his own personal preferences, reinforced by the public sentiment in Pennsylvania are for Roosevelt.
Another weakness is that the delegates are mostly convinced that Root cannot win, and do not want to run into another 1912 "funeral." Many of the politicians behind the Root scheme, and many of those of the munitions crowd who are putting up the Root money do not care. They would rather see Wilson in the White House than any one else except Root, and are willing to take a chance. They fear that either Roosevelt or Hughes might help end the war, cutting short their profits, and that either of them would see that the profits to be made out of American preparedness would be kept low. With Wilson in they believe that nothing would be done, and that he would continue to avoid prosecuting trusts or interfering with Wall Street schemes. Mr. Barnes has frankly stated his preference for Wilson over Roosevelt, and that he and others in the Root camp who hold with him.
Scheming for a Root Drive.
The fact that the convention will not submit to this if it knows it makes it necessary to keep the Hughes talk going. So far all the surface strength here is for Hughes, and it is intended to keep it that way. With a part of the politicians the intention is to switch back to Hughes if the Root plan fails, but the Root insiders the idea is to use it to hold delegates until they are ready, and then put Root across in one sudden drive, dropping Hughes altogether.
It is to prepare for this drive that

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FAIRBANKS AIMS AT SECOND PLACE. Agrees to Trade His Delegates to Hughes, Root and Roosevelt.
[From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.]
Chicago, June 4.—Charles Warren Fairbanks stands a great chance of becoming the nominee for Vice-President, according to reports here to-day, which are verified in well-informed places, though warmly denied by his managers. He seems to have overlooked no bet, and the vote, which he has engaged to deliver, will have to be split three ways.
First, there has been a deal with the Hughes people. Mr. Fairbanks has offered to head a break for Hughes, giving over his 36 Indiana delegates and about 50 more whom his managers claim they can control from Kentucky or elsewhere, if the Hughes forces will support him for Vice-President. Several of the Hughes leaders have agreed to this, and say confidently that Fairbanks will win.
Second, Mr. Fairbanks has not overlooked the possibility that the Root scheme may go through, unlikely as it seemed till the last few days. Here, too, his delegates have been peddled at the same price. Here, too, apparently, they have been peddled.
Third, Roosevelt. The Indiana delegation has let it be known that it is willing to accept the 1904 ticket of Roosevelt and Fairbanks. They have intimated that the Kentuckians and the rest would come along. And some of the Roosevelt men have intimated, also, that if the Fairbanks break came at the same price, here, too, they would be ready to reciprocate.
Granville Mooney says that Fairbanks has not yet opened negotiations with the Burton men.
"Mr. Fairbanks," said an old politician when this situation became clear to-day, "evidently believes in a man who finds out which way the crowd is going, and follows suit. He is a wheeler. It will be a good idea to watch that Fairbanks crowd. They have a good deal to win by guessing right and jumping in time."

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